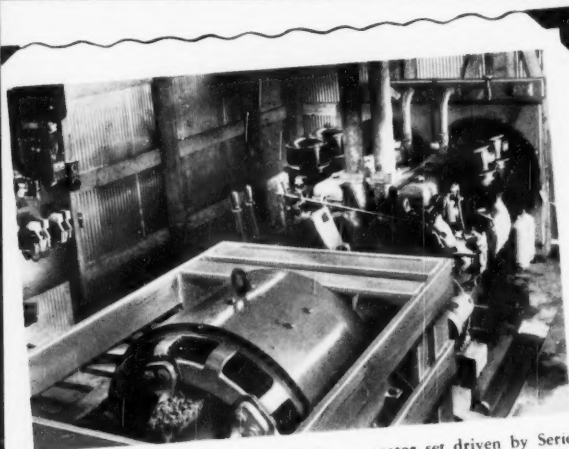


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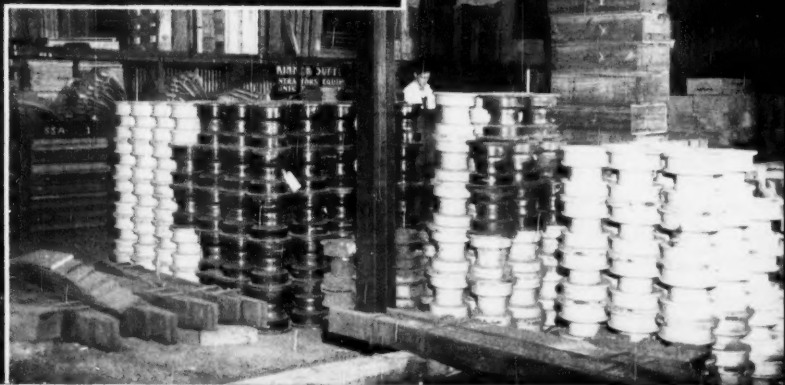
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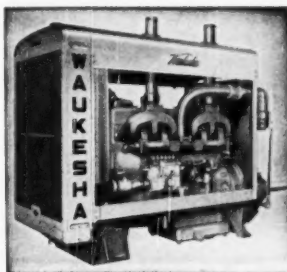
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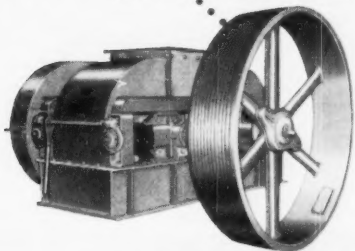
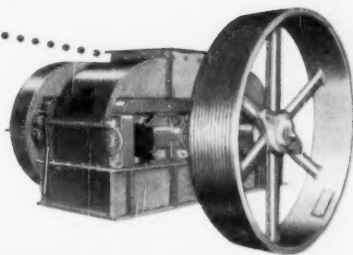
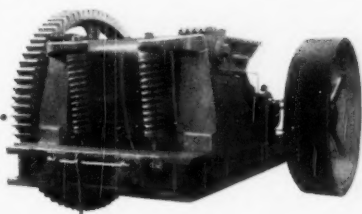
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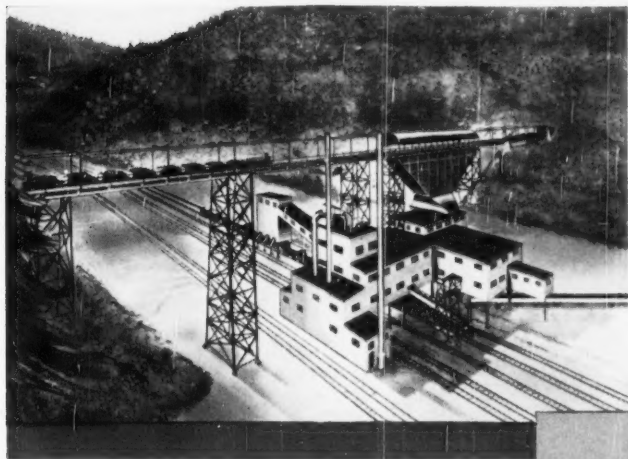
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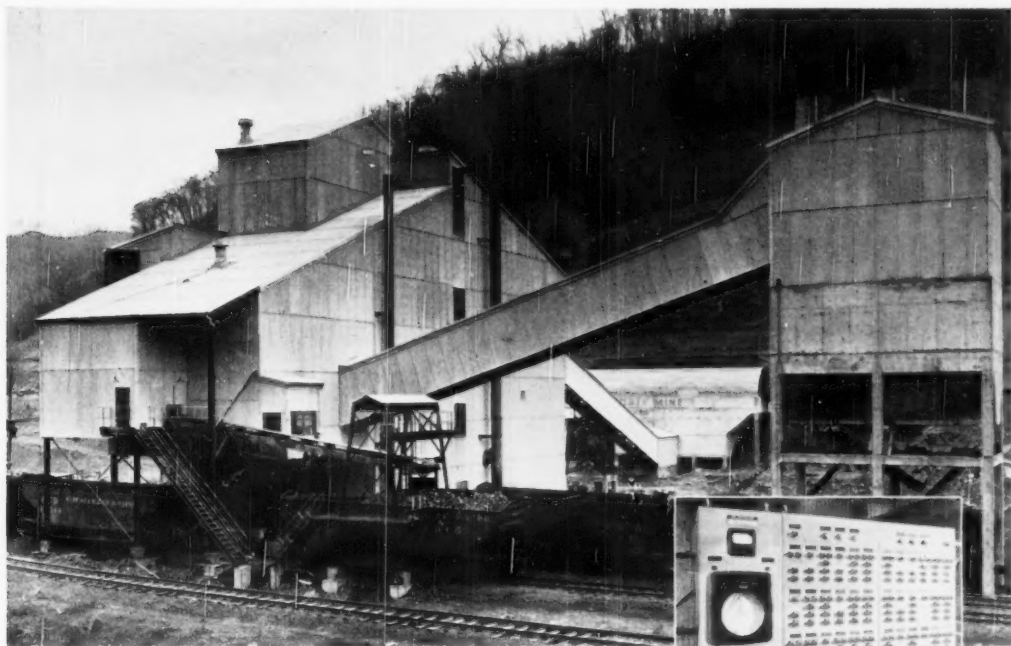


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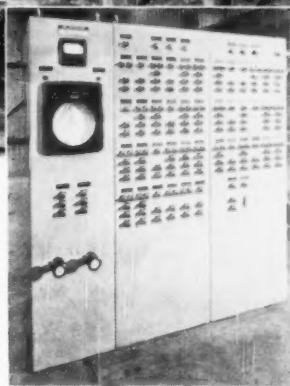
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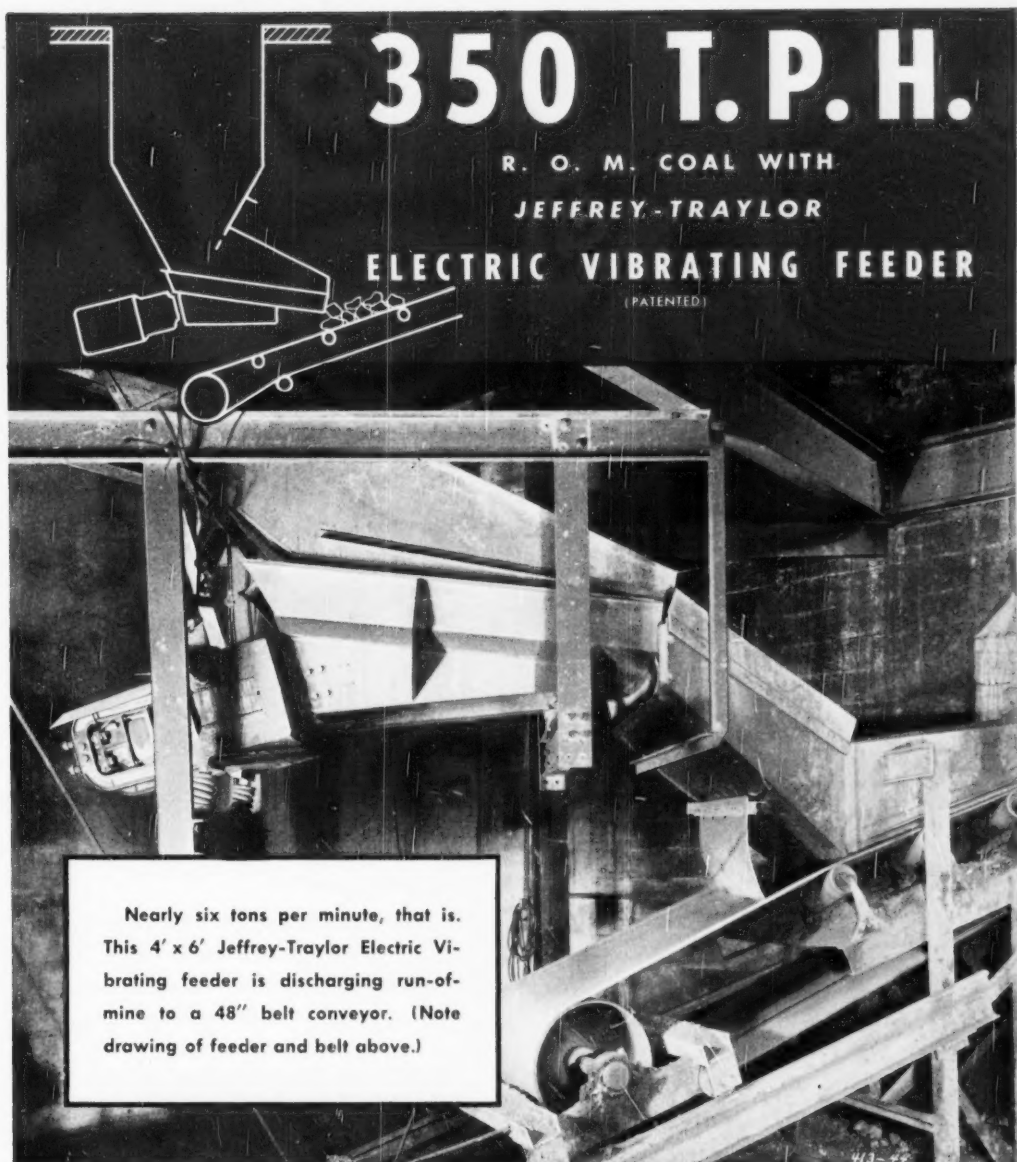
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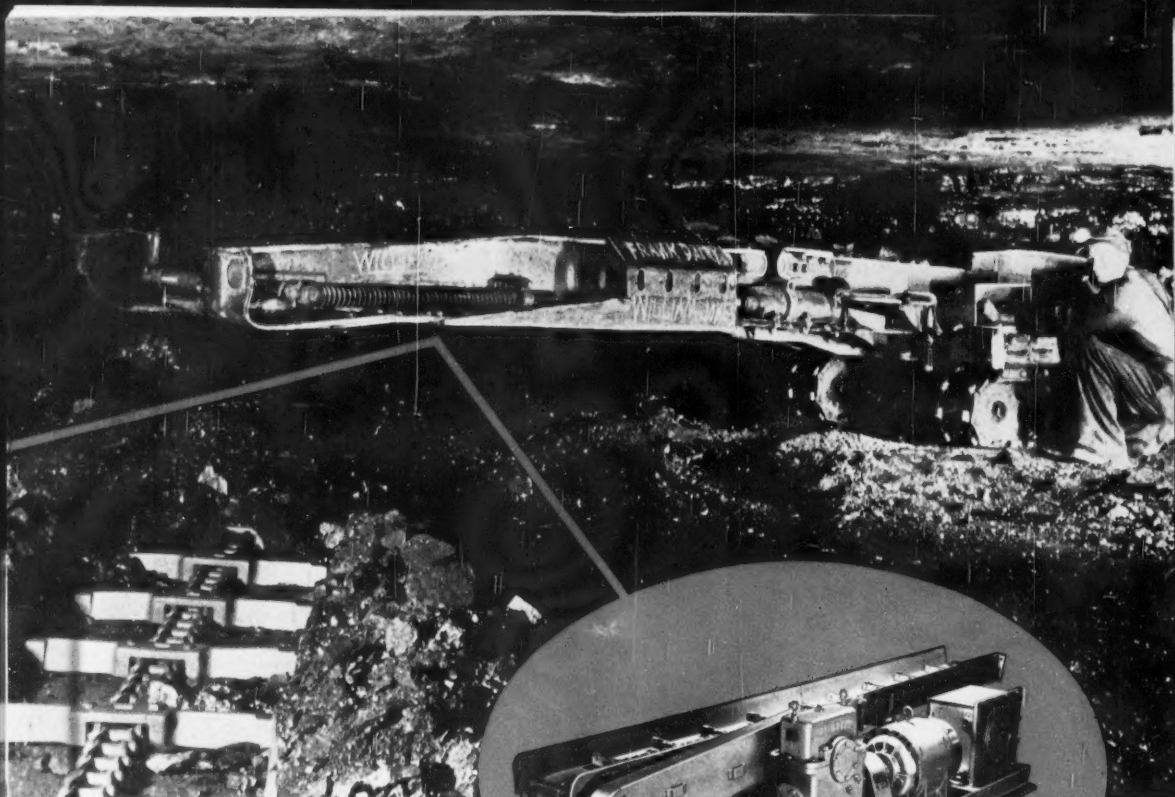
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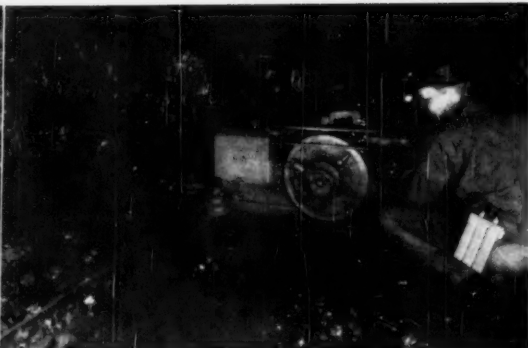
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When this mine was opened, all loading was done by hand. As business increased, additional hand loaders were employed until the number reached 52. Then some mechanical mining was tried

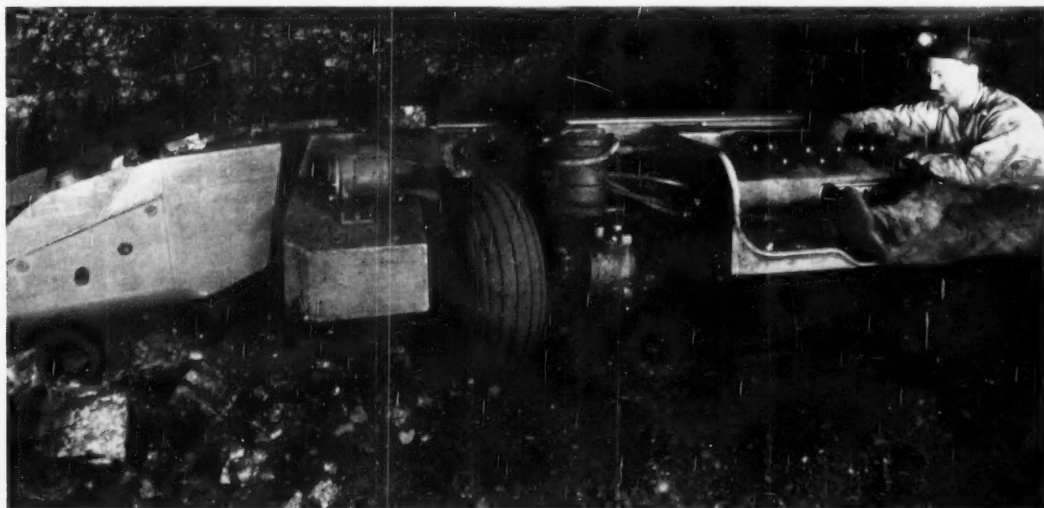
by installing new Duck Bill Loaders and Shaker Conveyors. The Modernization Program incorporates a Jeffrey 61 CLR conveyor loader which has a 12 foot extendable gathering head that permits loading out all coal from the cut while the discharge end is anchored above the room conveyor, which feeds in turn onto a Jeffrey 61-EW Elevating conveyor for loading into mine cars.

Cutting is done with a Jeffrey 35-BB equipped with a 7½ foot cutter bar and Kennametal bits.

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The Jeffrey Model 61 CLR conveyor loader loading a cut in pillar work.



NEW HYDRAULIC ROOF-BOLTING DRILL SHOWS IMPRESSIVE PERFORMANCE

A new tool for the mining industry shows promise of cutting time and costs of drilling holes for roof bolts. Experience in the field indicates that the Joy RBD-1 may cut costs as much as 50% where rotary drills are applicable. (Bureau of Mines estimates state that 60% to 65% of the roof overlying U. S. coal beds may be drilled with rotary-type machines.)

Early in December, 1949, the RBD-1 was put into service in the Lower Thacker seam of Southern West Virginia. The seam averages 43-46" in thickness on this property. Roof consists of laminated slate bands. At present each cut is supported by eight 42" bolts, set approximately on 4' centers. Safety posts are set along the ribs to within 20' of the face as an added precaution.

In the six months that the drill has been operating, several time studies have been run. These show that the RBD-1 crew can consistently drill and

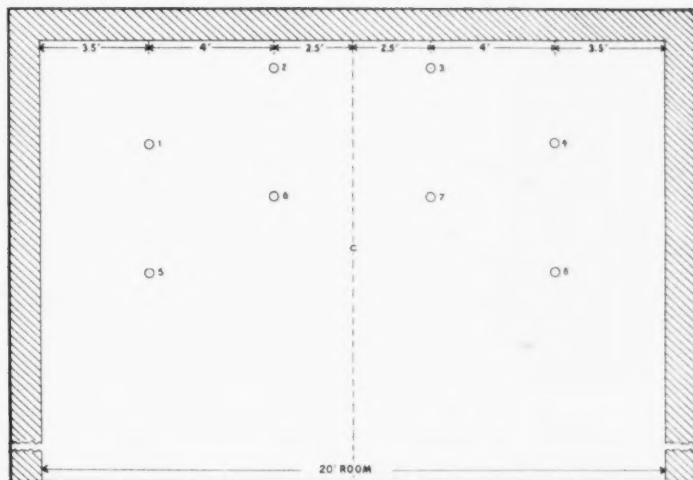
bolt a place in 22 minutes, or 14 places per shift. Two men are used, one drilling and one setting the bolts. In adjacent sections of the mine, four-man crews are using hand-held electric drills. They require 33 to 40 minutes to drill and bolt a place, thus can handle only 8 or 9 places per shift. Experience under comparable conditions indicates that three men with a stopper and self-propelled air compressor can set 9 to 11 places per shift.

Sequence of operation in this mine is as follows. The operator trams the RBD-1 to the working place and parks it in the center of the room with the end of the boom 6" back from the coal face. He then sets the brake and checks to see that tramping and steering valves are not cocked. He goes to the face and swings the boom to the left until it is in position to drill hole No. 1. The section boss has previously painted five lines on the roof; a center line, two lines 30" on either side of center,

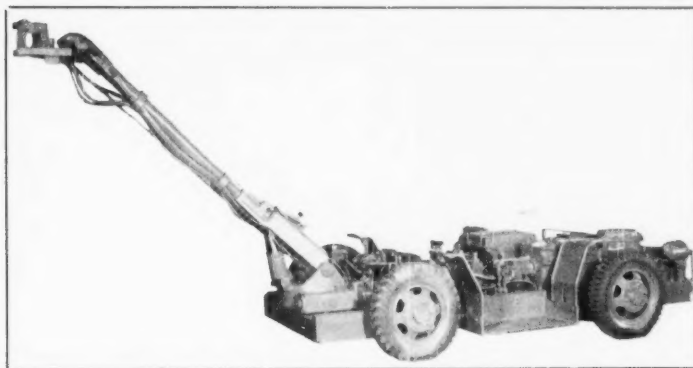
and two lines 78" on either side of center. It is thus a simple matter for the operator to locate the drill. After the operator has drilled Holes 1, 2, 3, and 4, the machine is trammed 4' further back from the face and Holes 5, 6, 7, and 8 are drilled. The helper in the meantime is setting the bolts as soon as each hole is finished. When the place is set, the boom is centered in tramping position and the machine moves on to the next place.

Drilling is accomplished as follows. The first steel is placed in the drill and the boom is raised until the bit touches the roof. The rotation is set, but the operator controls drill feed. A little pressure is applied as rotation is started. Rotation is left on and the feed is adjusted to take into account the varying hardness of the different slate strata encountered. When the length of the first steel has been drilled the boom is lowered, while rotation is continued to

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The drawing illustrates the roof-bolting plan in use. Eight bolts are set per cut. For added security, safety posts are set along the rib-line to within 20' of the face. Bolts are set with a hand-sledge. A socket wrench is used to tighten the nuts.



This photograph illustrates the new, Joy RBD-1, a self-propelled, all-hydraulic roof-bolting drill. The machine is available in 26", 30", and 36" heights and may be used in seams up to 8½ feet thick. All models may be equipped for wet drilling or with vacuum dust collector, as desired.



The RBD-1 is steered hydraulically and is equipped with dual controls for ease of operation. Boom swing may be controlled from the operator's seat, to facilitate tramming. Since a standard drill-boom is used, the machine may be quickly converted in the field to a standard coal drill, should improving roof-conditions make roof-bolting unnecessary.



"CEMENTED CARBIDE TIPPED BITS" THEME AT CENTRAL W. VA. COAL MINING INST. MEETING

By R. H. JOHNSON

Whenever the American Army or Navy men mixed with the soldiers and sailors of other countries, they showed one trait that the foreigners could never get accustomed to nor understand. Our boys always had something that they would complain about and the others, who in their case would shrug their shoulders and put up with discomfort as a matter of course, could not comprehend the griping of the Americans. "What's the use?" has never been an American answer to trouble, but rather "Let's raise Hell and maybe we can do something about it." You will notice I quoted "Maybe we can do something about it," not "Maybe they will do something about it."

Most people do not realize how valuable this attitude is in the whole of American philosophy. In the past we have been trained to self reliance as individuals, as groups of engineers, as employers, as labor organizations, as industries, as Americans. That attitude of self-reliance and resourcefulness has shown more tangible results in the coal industry in America in the last gen-

eration than in any other industry or any other country.

The Jacksonville agreement that was imposed upon the coal mine producers of the middle west in 1926 caused more griping in the industry than the New Deal or the Blue Eagle or the Wagner Act. But the problems that it raised were attacked with energy and skill, and the high wages were eventually justified by making it possible for the miner to produce more tons with no more physical effort; and do the job in a safer manner, through coal mine mechanization.

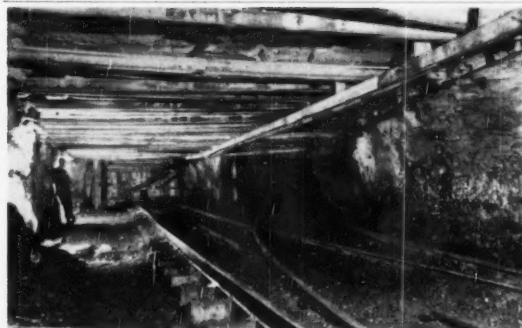
Last Fall I talked to two men who have recently visited England to learn the effect of socialization of British mines. Over there they do not call it "mechanization" but "adoption of labor saving devices." Under their new plan, which of course is actually as old as time but new only to them, anything that will save labor is a sin and a crime and must be condemned. The socialist program of making work and using as many men as possible just to keep them on the pay roll, will last only as long as

it is supported by Marshall Plan dollars from American industry where, in spite of the welfare state planners, the tradition of free enterprise and high living standards still prevails.

A friend of mine recently wrote me from Japan and told me that one of the largest Japanese coal mines produces 4,000 tons of coal per day with 11,000 men on the pay roll. At a labor rate of \$15 per day this would make the direct labor cost of this coal \$41 per ton in this country. Putting it another way, if the cost of labor per ton were held at its present level in America but with a production of only 700 pounds of coal per man day, all the coal miner could hope to earn would be 87 cents a day, and we would need 5 million more coal miners than we now employ.

This illustration shows why it is that the United Mine Workers organization, which certainly wants high earning rates for its members, wants to preserve a high yield of production for the miner and to that degree at least favors the technological development of improved methods of mining.





Hitch timbering with 2" pine and steel cross bar in coal and rock at Cambria Clearfield Mining Co., St. Benedict, Pennsylvania. No. 1584-A Kennametal Inc. 1-4-50



Hitch Timbering with 2" pine and steel cross bar in coal and rock at Cambria Clearfield Mining Co., St. Benedict, Pennsylvania. No. 1584-B Kennametal Inc. 1-4-50

You are all familiar with the development of continuous mining and loading machines. There has been considerable publicity attending the marketing of two models of machines that cut the coal out of the solid and load into shuttle cars, mine cars or conveyors. Three other machines of this general type are also now in use and three more that I know of are well along in process of development.

One machine that can replace in one operation the jobs of cutting, drilling, blasting and loading has been the goal of development engineers for 50 years; and we now know that this equipment is already in successful use. Ahead of us lie the various refinements that make for flexibility, ease of control, safety and reliability.

We are now at the point where we shall have to project the future workings of our mines to accommodate them to the cycles of continuous operation at one face. A part of the definition of a continuous mining machine is that it stays and keeps working in one place.

How far shall we drive this face? How will we ventilate it? How shall the coal be taken away behind it? How can we deliver supplies such as timber and brattice material to the face? How will we keep power up to the machine

and will we use direct or alternating current? What shall we do about water lines for spray use? How shall we drive cross cuts for ventilation? How shall we timber a place that is steadily advancing? How shall we handle lubrication and maintenance of a machine that must approach 100 per cent operating time?

The continuous mining machine is a very good example of what is needed in any machine to produce good results. First we must have good machine design, proper material and good workmanship. We must have an adequate power supply and a skillful operator.

Up at the business end of the machine, on the cutting arms or chains we must have a good bit. The actual heart of the operation is that job of freeing the coal. Gathering, elevating and conveying are all incidental to the getting of the coal in the first place. One of the delays involved in this operation is the time consumed in changing bits when they are dull or broken. Add together all the charges for overhead, depreciation, power, maintenance, materials and labor, and divide by your expected operating minutes in a shift and you will find that delays cost very close to a dollar a minute. And yet, it is cheaper to

change bits frequently than to operate with dull or damaged bits which consume power and cause work to be done at less than normal and proper rate. A test with an Esterline Watt-hour meter will demonstrate this in any chain machine, especially when supported by time studies to show the effective work performed.

Cemented carbide tipped mining machine bits and drill bits, which retain their sharp cutting edges longer than any steel or otherwise hard surfaced bit, have already proved their superiority and cost advantage in mines all over the world. The story of cemented carbides, however, does not end there. These carbides vary in wearing qualities and in resistance to shock just as coal varies in B.T.U. and ash content. Coals with high B.T.U. and low ash content are known as premium coals and you men spend a great deal of money and effort to produce and ship a coal of uniform high quality. Kennametal cemented carbides differ from all other carbides because of the unique processes of refinement that produce materials that have a closer control of grain size and greater freedom from inclusion of impurities, than those of other manufacture. The difference is not only in skill of manu-



Using a stopper to drill roof bolt holes at Eastern Gas & Fuel Co., West Virginia. No. 1545 Kennametal Inc. 12-1-49



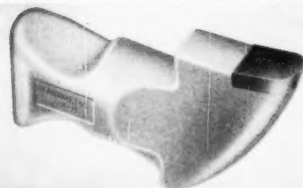
Using D-1-3/8 Bits and PR Rod to pin money at Leechburg Mining Co. Kennametal Inc. No. 1449-A 8-15-49



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No. 1626-I 3-9-50



Regular twist shank pinning rod.
No. 1513-B, Kennametal Inc., 11-3-49

fracture and degree of laboratory control but inherent in the process of vacuum furnace sintering which is a Kennametal development. Therefore, it is no more correct to say that carbide is carbidic than to say that coal is coal because it is black and will burn. These processes of refinement are expensive but we find that they are justified through better performance, even at what in some cases is a higher unit price.

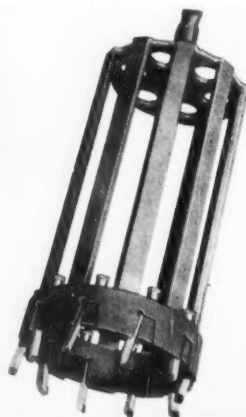
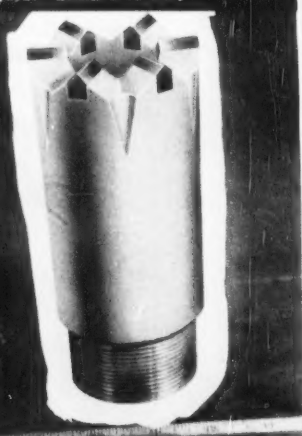
Another of the problems of the continuous mining machine is that of supporting the roof without delay to the machine. The roof bolting methods now widely advocated and accepted appear at present to offer an excellent solution for timbering for continuous mining machines. The principle of getting a firm support in place before the strata above the coal have time to sag is one that can fit in well with the new method of mining. Since there is no damage to the roof by blasting against it to bring down the face of coal and since the

rate of face advance is expected to be about 10 feet per hour, permanent timbering can be done behind the machine with only two to three hours of exposure of the roof before it is made secure. In many cases it will be found necessary to provide support over the machine to protect the operator and helper against local roof falls. It is believed that this can be done by use of light metal cross bars set on roof jacks as the face advances; these being taken out behind the machine after permanent bolts are in place and moved forward for resetting at frequent intervals.

The original tests of roof bolting in coal mines were naturally attended with some failures. Part of this is because as Charles F. Kettering observes, all the work was being done by amateurs, and an amateur is simply a fellow who is doing a thing for the first time. After the experiment works fairly well and its theoretical basis is established, comes the time for refinement and tech-

nical improvement. We know that we can bolt together several thin beams and make one very strong beam. But if a bolt is not anchored properly and holds only on one end we don't have the beam bolted. There are several ways to do this in a mine roof, but none of the bolts will hold to the limit of rod strength if the wedge or the expansion shell is anchored in a soft and easily compressible stratum of clay or shale. Perhaps you do not need the full rod strength. A $\frac{3}{4}$ inch mild steel rod has a yield strength around 20,000 p.s.i. and therefore will support nearly twice as much as an average mine prop in 6 foot coal. The diameter of these holes is important and should not vary for any type of attachment more than $\frac{1}{8}$ inch and in some types not more than $\frac{1}{16}$ inch. The size of hole most commonly used is $1\frac{1}{8}$ inch for the expansion shell type and $1\frac{1}{4}$ inch for the split rod and wedge. We make four types of bits for drilling these vertical holes in the roof, each of which is best suited

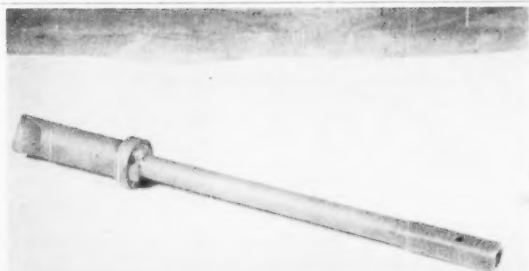
New Flute Type Structural Drill Bit
No. 1517 Kennametal Inc. 11-7-49



Kennametal Hitch Hole Bit
No. 1452 8-24-49



FD-1-3/8" Bit for drilling pin holes
in medium mine roof.
No. 1467 Kennametal Inc. 8-24-49



Regular twist shank pinning rod.
No. 1515-A, Kennametal Inc., 11-2-49.



Roof Bracing with Pins and Mine Rails at
Weirton Steel Corp., Fairmont, W. Va.
No. 1411 Kennametal Inc. 4-6-49.

for its particular condition. Where the roof is a massive sandstone or limestone the only rotary tool that will work is a diamond drill, so for that condition we offer a percussion bit for stopper or jack hammer use with portable compressor air supply. Since compressed air is a luxury in the average coal mine, and since rotary electric drills are in common use for drilling blast holes in the coal, it is better to drill for roof bolting with rotary tools if you can. If the roof is a soft shale it can be drilled with a regular cemented carbide coal drilling bit. If it is harder, the prongs of the bit may have to be shortened for strength. If quite hard with sandy layers, a heavier single blade bit may be required, which we call the type FD or flat bit. We use drill rods without any conveying scroll for these vertical or high angle holes and provide them with chucks to hold the bits and shanks to fit the auger socket of the drill. We call these roof pinning rods. Sometimes in wet conditions we find an auger necessary to pull the cuttings out of the holes.

A new wrinkle in roof bolting has come to light in western Kentucky where acid water has enough free sulphuric acid in it to eat up a steel bolt very quickly. Sterling Lanier who is President of the Norton Coal Company has been successful in developing the use of wooden pins. He uses 2 3/8 inch diameter oak pins, split at the ends and tightened in 3 inch holes, with a narrow cap board wedge in each end. These oak pins are holding a roof that could not be held by cross-bar timbering on 30 inch centers.

The vertical drilling of holes with post mounted drills and with self-propelled hydraulic drills is readily adapted to the equipment at hand. But to do this job with hand-held electric drills or jack hammers in high or low coal is a tough job, without some help from the Master Mechanic. For air drilling two companies, Joy and Le Roi, have developed short leg stoppers especially for use in roof bolting where limited head-

room is available. Two of the mining companies have developed attachments to roof jacks which can elevate a jack hammer while the hole is being drilled. One company has built a skid mounting for a post drill to hold the column erect, without requiring a top arm for a roof anchor and using a short thread bar. Consolidation Coal has built a light post with a cradle mounting for a hand-held electric drill which with two rubber wheels becomes a wheel-barrow for moving, and which uses a winch to elevate the drill. Another company is building mountings of this general type for use with your hand-held drills; to help solve this problem in roof bolting.

When I meet someone new and he asks me what my job is I tell him that I am a bit peddler. At first this may sound unimportant, but it is not. It is important to me of course, but it is also important to you. Kennametal bits are not just bits but are the most costly bits for coal mine service that are made anywhere in the world. All of the expensive mining machines and drilling machines that you have are designed just to make these bits cut and drill, and the bits are in there doing it. If they can do a job just a few per cent better or faster than any other tools, you can afford to use them if they cost twice our present prices. Similarly, if they do a job a few per cent better at our present prices, you could not afford to use other bits if the makers gave them away. It only takes a few per cent in man tonnage to make the difference between red and black ink in your operating cost. If you wind up too many times with a red ink figure you go out of business; unless of course your business is run by the government, which is now designed solely for red ink operations.

England uses some of our bits but theirs will never be an important market because they run a red ink industry, like our Tennessee Valley Authority, Rural Electrification Administration, AAA, RFC and so forth. If the socialist planners have their way in

America, and take over coal mines, railroads, power companies, insurance and so forth, there won't be much need for Kennametal because cost and efficiency will no longer be important. And let me tell you in all sincerity, it is later than you think!

Socialism has failed in England, by the admission of the socialist government leaders, as far as voluntary compliance is concerned. It has now reached the stage where compulsion is needed and it has already begun. Many farmers have been dispossessed from land their families have owned for generations because they have failed to produce a quota. No longer can a man move from one job to another on his own choice. The government tells him where to work and where to live and he complies or goes to jail. The rich and the successful proprietors of business and the job producers have been liquidated; and the workers are condemned to a starvation diet and government confiscation of a large part of their earnings.

In America an association called Americans for Democratic Action has gained control of the Democratic party, the CIO, the AFL; and now has 75 chapters in 48 states, with 100 student affiliated groups. This was formerly headed by Leon Henderson. The present national chairman is Senator Hubert H. Humphrey of Minnesota. Some of the men in this outfit are communists, but it is not the communists that we have to fear. Rather it is the national socialist planners (who by the way never use the word "socialist") who seek to build an all powerful state and subject the people to slavery. The headway they have already gained is tremendous.

We need to remember that "there ain't no such thing as free lunch."

We should know that this present administration, since the end of the war has spent more money in four years than all of the previous administrations from 1789 to 1941. They could not do this if we were on the gold

standard. This would be impossible if we were on the gold standard. A paid-up life insurance policy worth \$10,000 ten years ago is now worth \$6,000. The war bonds that you bought early in the war are worth less than you paid for them in terms of what that money will buy. Congress has already spent all of the social security dollars that have been deducted from your pay, and will have to find new tax dollars to pay you after you are 65 in dollars that then may be worth a dime apiece.

The Brannan farm plan to support farm prices and give the housewife cheaper food is copied directly from the British socialistic plan now in operation in England, where 40 cents of every workman's dollar is taken by the government.

I strongly recommend that everyone here buy and read a book entitled "The Road Ahead" by John T. Flynn, distributed by the Committee for Constitutional Government of 205 East 42nd Street, New York 17, N. Y. I have one of these books here for you to see. They can be bought for \$1.00 each, or in quantities for 50 cents. It unveils the socialist plot to capture America. It tells of 75 societies that these planners have organized to spread propaganda among our negro population, of the attack organized within the Federal Council of Churches of Christ in America whose membership includes 142,000 protestant churches with 27 million members, of organized propaganda in the universities, press, radio and movies; and it suggests what we can do about it if we want to stay free.

One of the things that would stop these vultures in their tracks would

be a return to the gold standard of money, together with a law to prohibit deficit spending. I have here for distribution some literature published by the Gold Standard League of America, of which our company president, Philip M. McKenna, is the National Chairman.

I would like to close these remarks with a poem about coal miners that I have called "Reflections in a Dinner Bucket." I have been a coal miner and this expresses my idea of the breed. I do not want to see them reduced to a group of slaves working under the tyranny of socialism.

I wonder what the weather is outside.
The pit boss says it looks again like snow.

Or has the sun turned everything to slush.

Or is the north wind coming on to blow.

The weather here is always just the same.

The air is always fresh and clean and cool.

Just right to work in. I can hardly blame

The kids complaining of their stuffy school.

Here there are dangers that we may not scorn.

We do not fear them though we know them all.

We face them; and we take time out to warn

Each other that one error means a fall.

We guard against the slowly creeping gas;

We watch and keep away from moving trips;

We crouch beneath the power lines that pass

Above our heads. We watch the roof that rips.

The roof that rips and warns us with its cracks,

The roof that slowly sags and quickly breaks.

That ever-present hazard at our backs,
Our ears are turned to every sound it makes.

We have a pride of workmanship as keen

As you have ever found, or ever will.

We strive to keep a uniform routine
While nature's unknown forces try our skill.

We work among the bowels of the earth.

We like it. And we like to think that we

Are kin to those that bore that greater birth

And launched the good ship of Democracy.

So when we ask about the day outside
We ask as free men wanting none of it

Until our shift is over and we ride
The man trip. Then we feel a certain pride

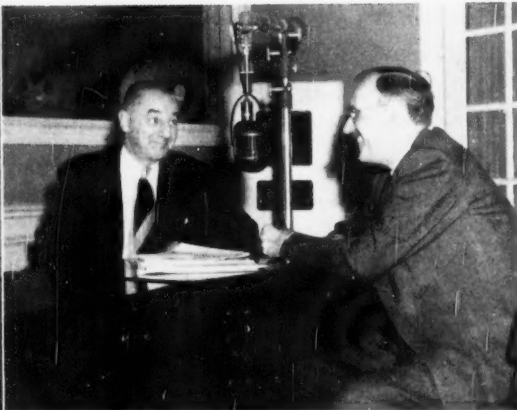
In well done work, that can not be denied.

I wonder what the weather is outside.

E. H. Johnson



Joseph T. Berta, President, Pennsylvania Coal & Coke Co., at NCA Meeting, Hotel Washington, Washington, D. C., February 2, 1950.



J. Atlee Schafer, left, President of the American Retail Coal Association, is shown being interviewed by Albert L. Warner, noted Washington radio commentator, on the subject, "Does the Coal Crisis Threaten National Health and Safety?"

RIGHT: Vertical type McCarthy drill using 6" and 8" auger at the Jefferson Coal & Coke Company in southwestern Pennsylvania making 30 to 60 foot deep shot holes through shale and sandstone. It drills from 400 to 1000 feet per day. Borium tipped bits are used in shale; Kennametal heads and finger-tipped bits in hard sandstone.

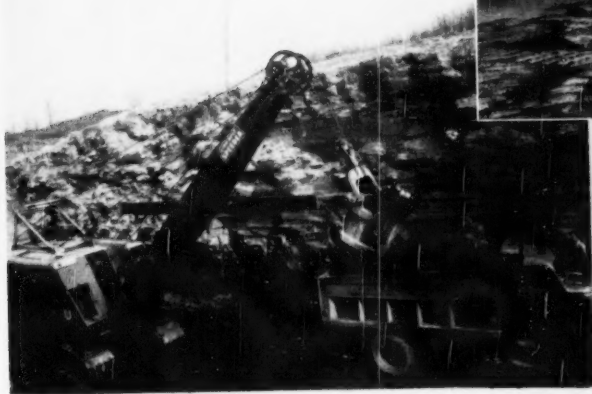
BELOW: This Marion Model 111 M Shovel is stripping overburden off the Sewickley seam of coal at the operation of the Luxnor Coal Company, in the extreme Southeastern end of Greene County, Pennsylvania, near the town of Taylorville. The Luxnor Coal Company has also stripped the Pittsburgh seam on this same property and is deep mining the high walls with Joy loading machines and shuttle cars.



RIGHT: A New Model 1006 highlift Osgood shovel having 45 foot boom, 35 foot stick and 2 cubic yard dipper stripping overburden off coal at Operation of Morrone Brothers at Starford, in northwestern Indiana County, Pennsylvania.



LEFT: Link-Belt Model 307 shovel having a 30 foot boom, 25 foot stick, and 1 1/2 cubic yard dipper loading coal at the Dipple & Dipple Coal Company near Morgantown in Northern West Virginia.



CONSOLIDATED (W.Va.) SAFETY AWARDS

The Consolidation Coal Company (W. Va.) Division of the Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company held a Safety Awards Banquet for the year 1949, at the Fairmont Hotel, Fairmont, West Virginia on March 26. Awards were given for safety records ranging from 1 year to 10 years, as in the cases of Charles Wilson who has a 9 year record, and Joseph Knight who has a 10 year record. In this group representing Mine 38, with a 2 year record is R. W. Davidson, who holds the world's production record for mechanical loading. Awards presented consisted of Lapel Buttons for records of 1 year to 5 years and Government Bond for records running from 6 years to 10 years.



Representing Everettville Mine, left to right. Albert Powell, seven years—Bond. W. H. Zickefoose, seven years—Bond. Arthur Trowbridge, one year—Lapel Button. John Ryan, one year—Lapel Button. Edward Barry, one year—Lapel Button. Steve Kish, one year—Lapel Button.



Representing Mine 32, left to right. Clyde Morgan, 8 years—Bond. E. L. McCoy, 6 years—Bond. Lowell Kelly, 6 years—Bond. Millard McGown, 6 years—Bond. Joseph Knight, 10 years—Bond. Lawrence Wright, 6 years—Bond. Charles Wilson, 9 years—Bond. Lewis Akers, 6 years—Bond. Samuel Vangilder, 6 years—Bond. Joseph Germondo, one year—Lapel Button. Herman Patterson, two years—Lapel Button. French Richards, one



year—Lapel Button. Lewis Stentz, one year—Lapel Button. Charles R. Witt, Robert Bates, two years—Lapel Button. Warren Wilson, one year—Lapel Button. Raymond Comer, two years—Lapel Button. Harold Snodgrass, two years—Lapel Button. Charles Teets, two years—Lapel Button. John Knoble, four years—Lapel Button. Vergil Mackey, four years. Damon Monmirth, four years.



Representing Mine 97, left to right. Marvin Hamrick, seven years—Bond. Frank Barry, one year—Lapel Button. R. E. Bragg, three years—Lapel Button. Bael Kaminsky, four years—Lapel Button. Galen Kyrre, five years—Lapel Button. Representing Mine 93, left to right. Harry Turner, five years—Lapel Button. Paul Zickefoose, one year—Lapel Button.



Charles Groseclose, 9 years—Bond. Lawrence Ross, one year—Lapel Button. Earl Tinder, three years—Lapel Button. George F. Reynolds, three years—Lapel Button. Frank Collier, four years—Lapel Button. Bert Farance, four years—Lapel Button. Foster Turner, four years—Lapel Button. William Meyers, four years—Lapel Button. Fred Rundle, five years—Lapel Button. Richard Rundle, five years—Lapel Button.



Representing Mine 38, left to right. R. W. Davidson, two years—Lapel Button. Howard Wills, 3 years—Lapel Button. Raymond Louge, 1 year—Lapel Button. Ira Davis, Joseph D. Ellis, one year—Lapel Button. J. M. Morrison, one year—Lapel Button. David Mainella, two years—Lapel Button. Americo Beccaloni, three years—Lapel Button. Eugene Leiven, four years, Lapel Button.



Representing Mine 63, left to right. George R. Cain, two years—Lapel Button. Lloyd M. Fleming, one year—Lapel Button. Lloyd N. Van Pelt, two years—Lapel Button. Thomas Dean, two years—Lapel Button. W. F. Rogers, four years—Lapel Button. Ralph Mick, two years—Lapel Button. P. W. McGraw, one year—Lapel Button. Charles Spragg, one year—Lapel Button.



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Representing Mine 25, left to right. Earl C. Lynch, seven years—Bond. H. A. Thorne, four years—Lapel Button. Sylvio Pellegrino, two years—Lapel Button. Paul W. Anderson, five years—Lapel Button. Donal Alvarez.

Old Faithful


Old faithful was built in the year 1926 and was shipped from the factory to the far west to move rock overburden. In 1934 this shovel was moved to the Frances Mine of the Baton Coal Company in Washington County, western

Pennsylvania and has been operating winter and summer ever since. It is estimated that this shovel has moved between 14 million and 15 million cubic yards of rock and shale overburden in its lifetime to date. It is still going strong at the Frances mine. Water is

carried to it by pipe. The coal storage bin is filled every morning and holds enough coal to run it for two shifts. Coal is loaded into mine cars without axles or wheels and trucked to the shovel where the car bodies are hoisted to the top of the coal bins and dumped.




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Arthur S. Knoizen, 52, of 913 Liberty Street, Franklin, Pa., executive vice president and director of the Joy Manufacturing Co., prominent in Franklin's industrial, civic and social life and widely known in mining circles throughout the United States and Europe, died in the Franklin Hospital at 8:45 a.m. April 29th.

Suffering a heart ailment for the past year, Mr. Knoizen's condition took a serious turn at his home last Sunday and he was removed to the hospital. His condition was reported to have improved earlier this week. His death this morning was sudden and the news left the community shocked and saddened.

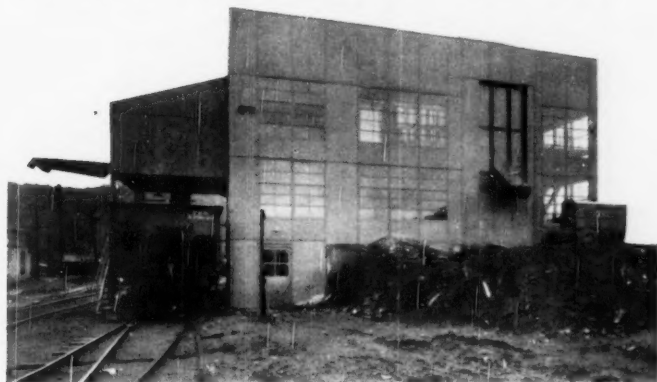
Mr. Knoizen was recognized everywhere as one of the foremost mining machinery engineers in the nation and much of the success of the Joy Manufacturing Co. was due to his ingenuity and guidance through the years as he came up through the ranks from machinist-welder to foreman, superintendent, salesman and executive capacities to the top.

He held important posts in various organizations in connection with industry and during World War II he served as a dollar-a-year man as director of the mining division of the War Production Board. Shortly after the close of the war Mr. Knoizen was a member of a government mission to Europe for the study of the coal mining situation there.

Mr. Knoizen was well informed on all phases of the mine machinery industry. He could build the product and sell it; he was the guiding hand in the shop and office alike and was the "sparkplug" around which the entire Joy enterprise evolved.

Because of his failing health he spent
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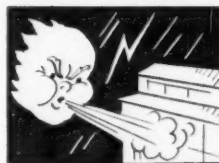


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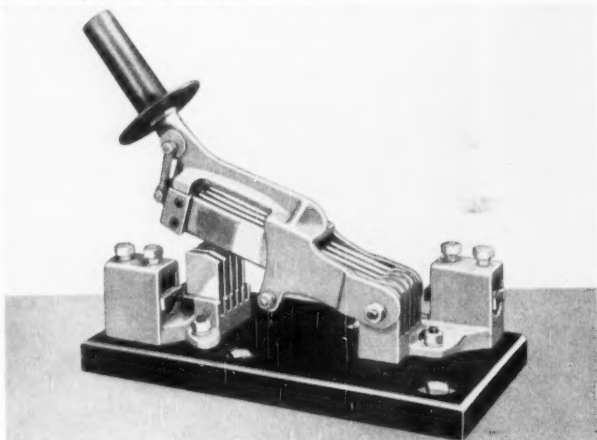
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most of the past winter in Florida, having returned here only a few days before his fatal illness.

Mr. Knoizen was born in Muskegon, Mich., on Nov. 17, 1897, the son of Bert and Amelia Bellfleure Knooihuizen. Early in his life his family moved to Weybrun, Saskatchewan, Canada. He returned to the United States at the age of 16. He obtained a high school education and later had courses in accounting and mechanical engineering.

Mr. Knoizen's employment by the Joy Co. began at Evansville, Ill., in July 1923, having relinquished a position as shop superintendent with the Aluminum Co. of America at New Kensington to become associated with J. F. Joy in the new enterprise. He came to Franklin in March 1924 as shop superintendent when Joy took over the Colburn plant and began the manufacturing of coal loading machines.

He was promoted to sales and service manager for Illinois, Indiana and western Kentucky in 1927 and became sales manager of the continually expanding Joy firm in 1934. He was elevated to the position of vice president in charge of sales in 1941 and a few years ago he was elected a director of the company and named executive vice president.

Mr. Knoizen belonged to a number of industrial organizations. He was president of the Manufacturing Division of the American Mining Congress and an honorary member of the Illinois Mining Institute.

He was a member of the Western Society of Engineers, the American Institute of Mining and Metallurgical Engineers and a number of other similar organizations. He belonged to the Wanango Country Club, the Franklin Club, the Rotary Club, the Franklin Lodge No. 110 B. P. O. Elks, and the Duquesne Club of Pittsburgh. He was a member of the Old Timers, a mining organization.

Mr. Knoizen was prominent in the Masonic fraternity. He was a member of Myrtle Lodge No. 316, F. & A. M., the Chapter, Franklin Commandery No. 44 Knights Templar, Oil City Lodge of Perfection, the New Castle Consistory and Zem Zem Shrine at Erie.

Mr. Knoizen was a director of the Exchange Bank and Trust Co.

Mr. Knoizen married Emily Hosner on June 29, 1918.

Surviving Mr. Knoizen are his wife, three children, Mrs. Robert Eakin, of Detroit; Ensign A. Kenneth Knoizen, U. S. Navy, now stationed at Pensacola, Fla., and Nancy Jane Knoizen, at home; his mother, Mrs. Amelia Knooihuizen,

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coal. All wheels are controlled by hydraulic cylinders. As coal is loaded out, the loading head is extended and can be made to reach all area along the face of a 35 foot room. Capacity of the Loader in loose coal, is 1½ tons per minute. Overall height is 25½". Lubrication is by Gulf Oil Products. With the installation of this equipment, all hand loading was discontinued and the mine is now 100% mechanical.

The coal is loaded into wooden mine cars having a capacity of 1½ tons. The empty cars weigh 1400 pounds. These cars are handled by two, 4-ton, 31-inch gauge, Greensburg "Ranger" type,

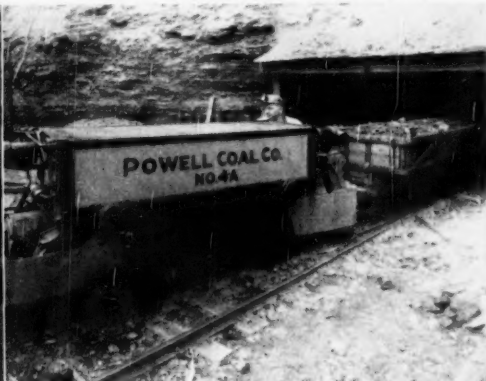
storage battery locomotives. One locomotive is used for gathering and one for main line haulage. The mine operates three shifts per day with a capacity of 700 to 800 tons for the 24 hours. Both locomotives are equipped with transfer racks and one extra battery for the three shift operation. Batteries are 42 cell 23 plate Gould type XVL-P having a capacity of 421 ampere hours and 34.9 kilowatt hours. The Greensburg "Ranger" locomotives are 42 inches high, 45 inches wide and have a wheel base of 32¾ inches. The cars are gathered from the elevating conveyors by one locomotive and placed on a side track. From this side track

the second Greensburg "Ranger" locomotive hauls them in from 25 to 35 car trains 5,400 feet to the tipple. The Powell Coal Company has recently opened another mine in which they have a third 4 ton Greensburg "Ranger" type, storage battery locomotive.

At the present, all coal is cleaned on the picking table but the Company is installing a cleaning plant that will be in operation by the 15th of June. The plant is a Mobil-Mill, a product of Western Machinery Company and when completed will clean the coal from both operations. The Company expects to put 1500 ton per day over the plant upon completion of the plant and the development of the new operation.



One of the Greensburg Ranger Battery Locomotives gathering cars underground.



A Greensburg Ranger Locomotive pulling trip of cars out of the mine.

WESTERN PENNA. COAL OPERATORS GOLF ASSOCIATION MEETS MAY 18



Group of happy young men who attended the golf parties in 1949.

The Bituminous Coal Operators Golf Association of Western Pennsylvania will hold its first meeting of the 1950 season at the Uniontown Country Club near Brownsville the later part of May. Members and their friends will receive notices giving the exact day of the opening.

The publication COAL MINING has made 1400 feet of color motion pictures in Florida this winter and will show them at the parties. Color motion pictures of modern underground mining and of strip mining will also be shown at these parties; together with color motion pictures of golfers in action last year. More color motion pictures will be made at these parties this summer and will be shown as fast as they are finished.

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Buffalo, N. Y.; his father, Bert, in Weybrun, Canada, and the following brothers and sisters: Fred F. Knooihuizen, Franklin; Mrs. Loretta Squelch, Mrs. Jennie Reid, and David Knooihuizen, Buffalo, and Alburtus Knooihuizen, Vancouver, British Columbia.

A message to the employees of the Joy Manufacturing Company by its president, J. D. A. Morrow.

TO OUR EMPLOYEES:

THE death of Arthur S. Knoizen, our beloved Executive Vice President,

is a great loss to all of us and to our company. We shall miss the guidance of his sure hand and the inspiration of his dynamic leadership. No one individual can replace him.

But he will continue to live in the engineering, manufacturing, sales, and other departments of our organization that have been so firmly molded and so deeply impressed with his great personality.

His death marks the end of an era of pioneering in mechanized coal mining. He pioneered the coal loading machine, the shuttle cars, the continuous miner, and the new technique of trackless mine operation that these machines make possible. That pioneering is done. These

machines and this mining method are accepted.

But he saw the beginning of the new era and the new challenge. Ahead of us are the years in which mechanized mining and the other industrial processes for which we design and build machines must be perfected through continued engineering research and development, better manufacturing, and keener salesmanship. We must reaffirm our adherence to the solid principles on which Arthur Knoizen built his life work.

First, to give our customers the best machines at the lowest cost. Only in this way can we maintain our leadership, our business, and our employment.

Second, always to keep clearly in mind the fact that the success and growth of the company and our own success and welfare are one and the same. Hard, loyal work by all our employees has built this company from its small beginnings to its present worldwide organization and has provided jobs for thousands of employees. Every employee must carry on that fine and loyal work to continue the company's upward progress and to create future benefits to our customers, our stockholders, and our employees.

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Joy Manufacturing Company today announced that E. M. Platts, sales vice president, has been elected executive vice president to succeed the late Arthur S. Knoizen.

With an extensive background of familiarity with the mining field, Mr. Platts joined Joy Manufacturing in 1945. This came about through Joy's acquisition of La-Del Conveyor &

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Manufacturing Company, producers of underground conveyor systems and axial flow fans for mines. He had served La-Del as vice president, and his first position with Joy was vice president in charge of coal equipment sales. Two years later he was elected to Joy's board of directors and placed in charge of all sales.

Mr. Platts began his business career with Jones & Laughlin Steel Corporation in 1913. He left this firm in 1917 to become associated with the Benedum Trees Company. He served this company in various official capacities and from 1920 to 1929 was general manager of Pittsburgh and Wheeling Coal Company.

In 1929, Mr. Platts established his own manufacturer's agency for mining machinery, which business he conducted until 1932. In that year, he became one of the founders of the La-Del Conveyor & Manufacturing Company, New Philadelphia, Ohio, whose later acquisition by Joy brought him into the organization of the nation's largest manufacturer of mechanical mining equipment.

Mr. Platts, born in Leonardsville, New York, is 54 years old and has lived in the Pittsburgh area since childhood.

Here And There

The annual meeting of the Mineral Producers Association will be held at the Wm. Penn Hotel, Pittsburgh, Pa., June 2.

Speakers at the afternoon session will be:

"Proposed National Legislation Affecting the Coal Industry"—Walter F. Schulten, Pittsburgh Consolidation Coal Company.

"Recent Researches on Acid Mine Drainage"—S. A. Braley, Senior Fellow, Mellon Institute, Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania.

"Extent and Character of Lands Disturbed by Open-Pit Mining—Treatment"—Merritt J. Harding, Regional Forester, Pennsylvania Department of Forests and Waters, Clarion, Pennsylvania.

At the dinner meeting, R. L. Ireland, President of the Ohio Coal Association, will speak on "Coal Is My Business".

PATENTS

Overload protection for electric circuits is provided by an ingenious thermally-operated electric relay on which the U. S. Patent Office awarded patent 2,486,239 this week. Its particular advantages are that it combines small size with virtually no contact friction and good accuracy and constancy of calibration.

The patent has been assigned to Westinghouse Electric Corporation by its recipient, George C. Armstrong of Pittsburgh. It is one of 831 patents of the week. It is a relay with a heatable container structure which contains

mercury and a volatile liquid. Overload causes heat to volatilize this liquid, causing mercury displacement and a change in its level. The level of the mercury is used to make and break electrical connection between contacts associated with the device.

A pipe thread cleaning tool, which can be used to clean either outside or inside thread on piping and can be readily adapted to accommodate threads of different diameters, earned William Wallace Williams, Mexia, Tex., patent 2,489,443. It is particularly designed for the cleaning of pipes in oil wells.

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NEW EQUIPMENT

• MOBILE DRILLING COMPANY, INC.



Mobile Drilling Company, Inc., of Indianapolis, Indiana, have just brought out a new drilling unit Model B-35. Stronger and more powerful than their B-27 model, the new drill has many additional advantages. Weighing less than 1,000 pounds and usually jeep-mounted, taking its power from the power takeoff, it will auger holes from three inches in diameter to twelve inches. One side is open the entire length of the carriage, permitting easy installation and removal of the augers. The transfer case guides are new improved extended roller chain.

With hydraulic controls mounted at the finger tip of the operator, this becomes truly a one-man operation. The drill can be converted from a vertical to a horizontal position in a matter of minutes by a unique turn-table. This allows the rig to be used for augering

holes prior to the blasting of overburden. The B-35 has lost nothing in adaptability and flexibility even though it is larger in size than the B-27 model.

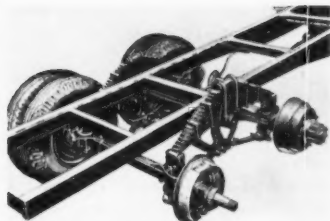
As a prospecting drill, it can auger holes, without the use of water, to a depth of 100 feet through hard pans, shales and soft stone formations. It is the ideal mobile, inexpensive equipment on the road and off the road for wildcat prospecting for coal and other minerals. Its light weight permits easy transportation, when Jeep mounted, because it goes any place a jeep can go. This drilling rig will operate even in the most mountainous terrain. Both the B-35 and the B-27 mobile drills are approved by the Willy-Overland Company and available through all Jeep dealers.

• LITTLE GIANT PRODUCTS, INC.

Little Giant Products, Inc., Peoria, Ill., announces new design improvements in its "Trailing Axle" line which bring greater strength, less maintenance cost and increased load capacity to two models designed for 1½ to 5-ton trucks. The Little Giant "Trailing

Axle" is designed for use with two-axle trucks, to almost double load capacity by the installation of third axles and wheels directly behind the rear, driving axle.

Oversized axles and heavier castings are augmented by the new, completely



rubber-bushed ends of the torque arms which eliminate all shock from starting and stopping. All Little Giant parts—including much heavier manganese springs for greatly increased load capacity, and certified malleable or steel shackle castings—are now 20 per cent heavier than recommended to provide an unusually high safety factor. The complete rubber bushings at torque arm ends replace former bronze bushings and eliminate four grease points for simplified maintenance.

Little Giant announces these improvements as currently effective in Models B and C with load capacities of 12,000 and 15,000 lbs. With installation of these third or "trailing" axles, axle spacing may be either 44 or 49 inches. "Trailing Axles" and other automotive equipment lines manufactured by Little Giant are nationally distributed through truck equipment distributors to automotive dealers.

• **HOMESTEAD VALVE MANUFACTURING COMPANY**

An All-Electric Steam Cleaner designed especially for use underground, or wherever gaseous or explosive mixtures have previously made cleaning impractical, is announced by the Hypressure Jenny Division of Homestead Valve Manufacturing Co., Coraopolis, Pa.



Known as the Homestead-Yaeger All-Electric Steam Cleaner, the unit is electrically heated and electrically powered. It is said to remove grease, dirt, and other deposits from machinery, equipment, floors, etc., ten times faster than by hand-methods.

The All-Electric Steam Cleaner properly mixes a constant amount of water with the desired amount of dissolved cleaning compound, and pumps the mixture through a manifold where it is electrically heated in progressive

stages. At 100 to 120 pounds normal operating pressure, the boiling hot solution and vapor are ejected from the cleaning gun in a powerful 60 gallons per hour blast that cuts, dissolves, and flushes away the heaviest dirt and grease deposits.

Portable either by means of its own wheels or its balanced crane hook eye, the Homestead-Yaeger Steam Cleaner is made in the STANDARD, SPA series, approved by the Pennsylvania Department of Mines for use in fresh air underground; and in PERMISSIBLE, BMA Series which will carry U. S. Bureau of Mines approval. The units are available for practically any

power circuit; and have a demand of 50 kw.

Approximate weight: 800 lb.

Dimensions: 66" x 36" x 32" high

The manufacturer will send free literature upon request.

• **SPECO, INC.**

Speco, Inc., Cleveland, announces issuance of a new application bulletin on RUSTREM, anti-rust paint.

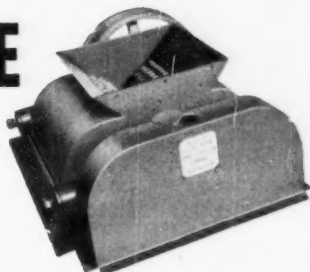
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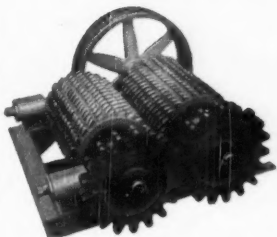
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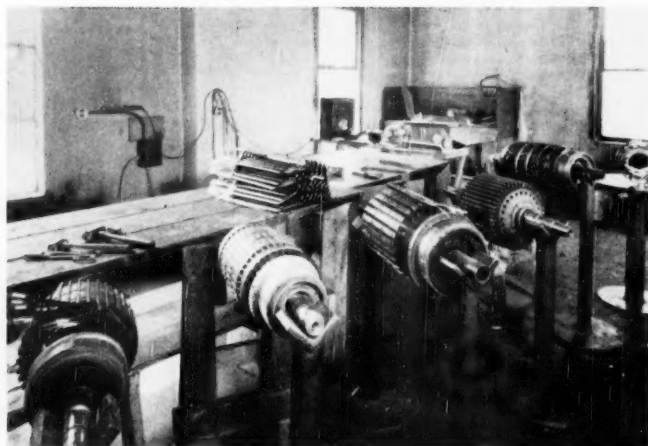
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This wire for hot spots, as the manufacturer identifies severe operating conditions, includes 600 volt cable for motor connections and electric furnace leads; 600 volt control cable for boiler rooms and power stations; 600 volt cable for hinge or jumper connections on swinging panels, and high voltage power cables.

National Electric also describes and illustrates in the 34-page Catalog No. 509 its "Neasbestos" line of 300 volt cable for motion picture projectors, arc lamps and spot lights; 300 volt stove wire; 300 volt heat-resisting flexible cord; 300 volt heat-resisting fixture wire for wiring lighting fixtures and radio apparatus, plus 600 volt switchboard wire for use on panel boards, switchboards and control equipment.

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insure thorough hole-cleaning. The second steel is inserted and the hole completed. The RBD-1 drill mechanism is self-leveling as the boom is raised. Pressure of the drill steel on the side of the hole causes the drill to slide on its mounting so that an absolutely straight hole is drilled. The self-leveling, self-aligning feature of the RBD-1 is automatic and requires no attention from the operator. Joy Sulmet tungsten-carbide bits, specially designed for the RBD-1, are used on this property.

Three factors contribute to the increased drilling speed possible with the RBD-1. First, no man-handling is required. With both stopers and hand-held electric drills the operator must exert considerable manual effort to hold the drill in place. The RBD-1 is self-supported and self-feeding. This factor, plus an inherently greater drilling capacity, is apparently the reason for the difference in drilling speed, which averages 3.77' per minute for the RBD-1 and 1.00' per minute for the hand-held drills in this mine.

The second factor favoring the RBD-1 is the fact that it is self-propelled. Trimming time between places requires 3 to 4 minutes with the RBD-1 as opposed to 6 to 8 minutes for either stopers or hand-held electric drills.

A third factor which cuts drilling time with the RBD-1 is the low overall height of the drilling mechanism. Since the steel change is determined by the distance between the top of the chuck and the roof, the shorter the drill, the longer the steel change. The drilling mechanism of the RBD-1 is only 12½" high as compared to 21" for the shortest stoper in the field. Because of this difference the RBD-1 will bottom the deepest possible hole with only one change of steel. Stopers and hand-held electric drills require two or three changes to drill the same hole. Since steel-change time is wasted time, the RBD-1 spends considerably less non-productive time than any other type drill. It seems evident that where rotary drilling is applicable, self-propelled, hydraulic drills like the Joy RBD-1 will give a lower roof-bolting cost than any other method.

A coal preparation conference will be held in Paris, France in June. A copy of some of the objectives of this conference can be obtained by writing to Mr. Thomas Fraser, Supervising Engineer, Coal Preparation Section, U. S. Bureau of Mines, Washington, D. C.

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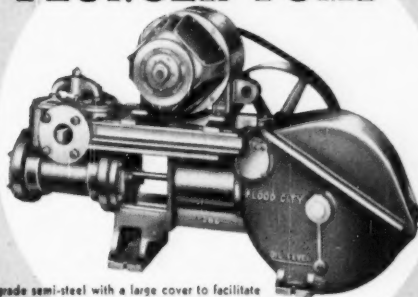
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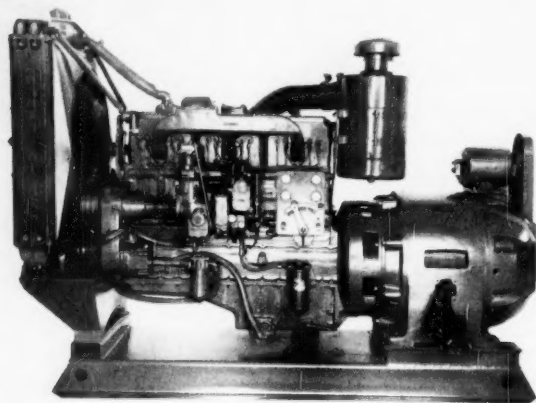
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Mr. D. W. Buchanon, Jr. was elected president of the Old Ben Coal Corporation of Illinois. He is a grandson of the late Mr. D. Buchanon, pioneer Illinois Coal Operator and is a graduate of Princeton University.

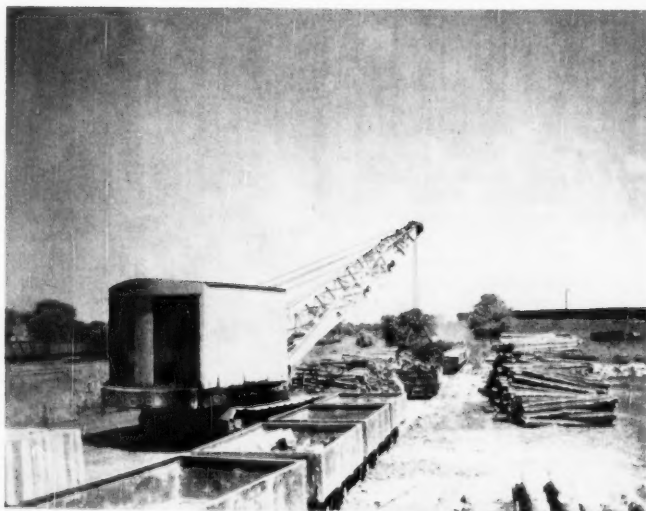
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doing Domestic and Foreign Work for many years, has expanded his organization and it is now known as P. R. Paulick and Associates. They will specialize in Planning and Design, Complete Mining Installations and Cost Analysis.

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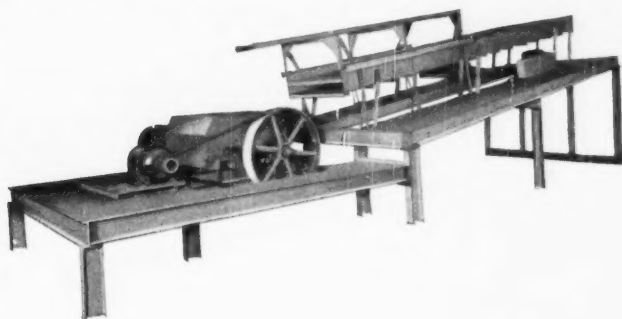


The Model NHSGA Cummins Diesel-powered electric generator unit shown is one of a standard commercial line announced by Cummins Engine Company, Inc., Columbus, Indiana.



Linke-Belt dragline, equipped with new Caterpillar 1700 Diesel engine handling mine timbers at an Illinois deep mine.

• BONDED SCALE & MACHINE COMPANY



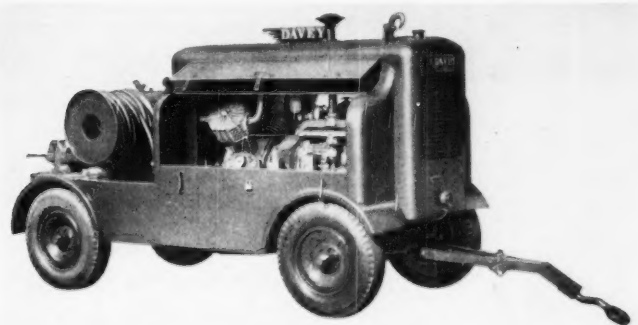
The new MIN-PRO prefabricated coal preparation plants, with capacities of from 80 to 200 tons per hour, are built of welded structural steel. Because they are so easily moved, MIN-PRO plants are used by coal strippers and other owners of several coal properties, who are now able to take all their equipment with them to new locations. These portable tipples will pick, clean, crush, and size mine-run coal in continuous operations. All production can be channeled to a stoker coal crusher, or separation of lump and fines can be made.

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MIN-PRO tipples are easily dismantled and erected in a few days, and there is no need for expensive moving or hoisting machinery. All major sections are bolted together, and all bolts and fishplates are easily accessible. Literature and prices are available from the Mineral Processing Equipment Corporation, or any Bonded distributor.

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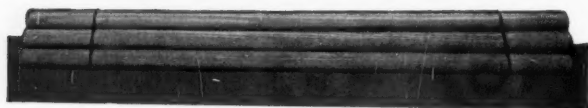


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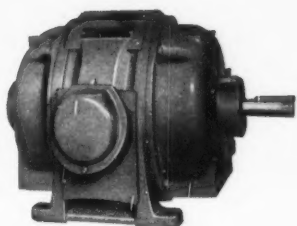
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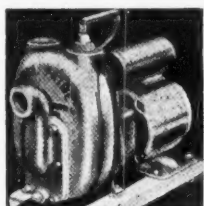
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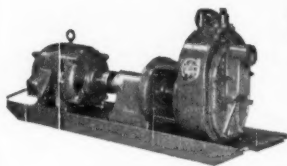
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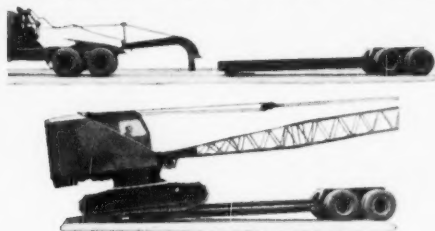
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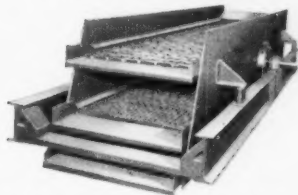
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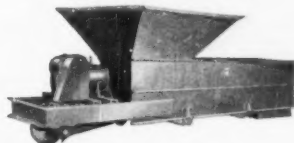
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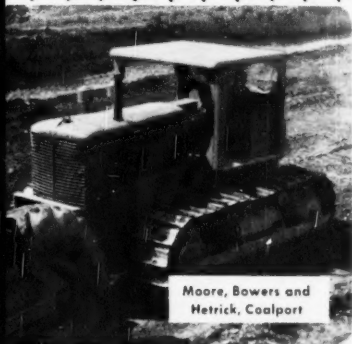
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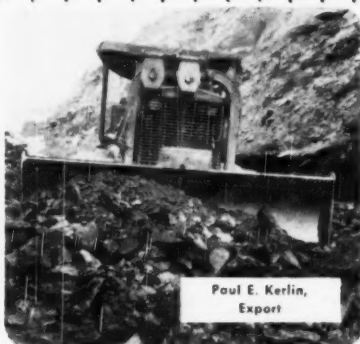
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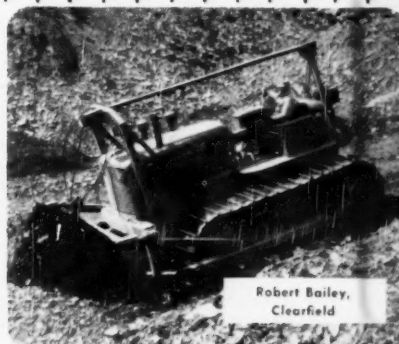
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